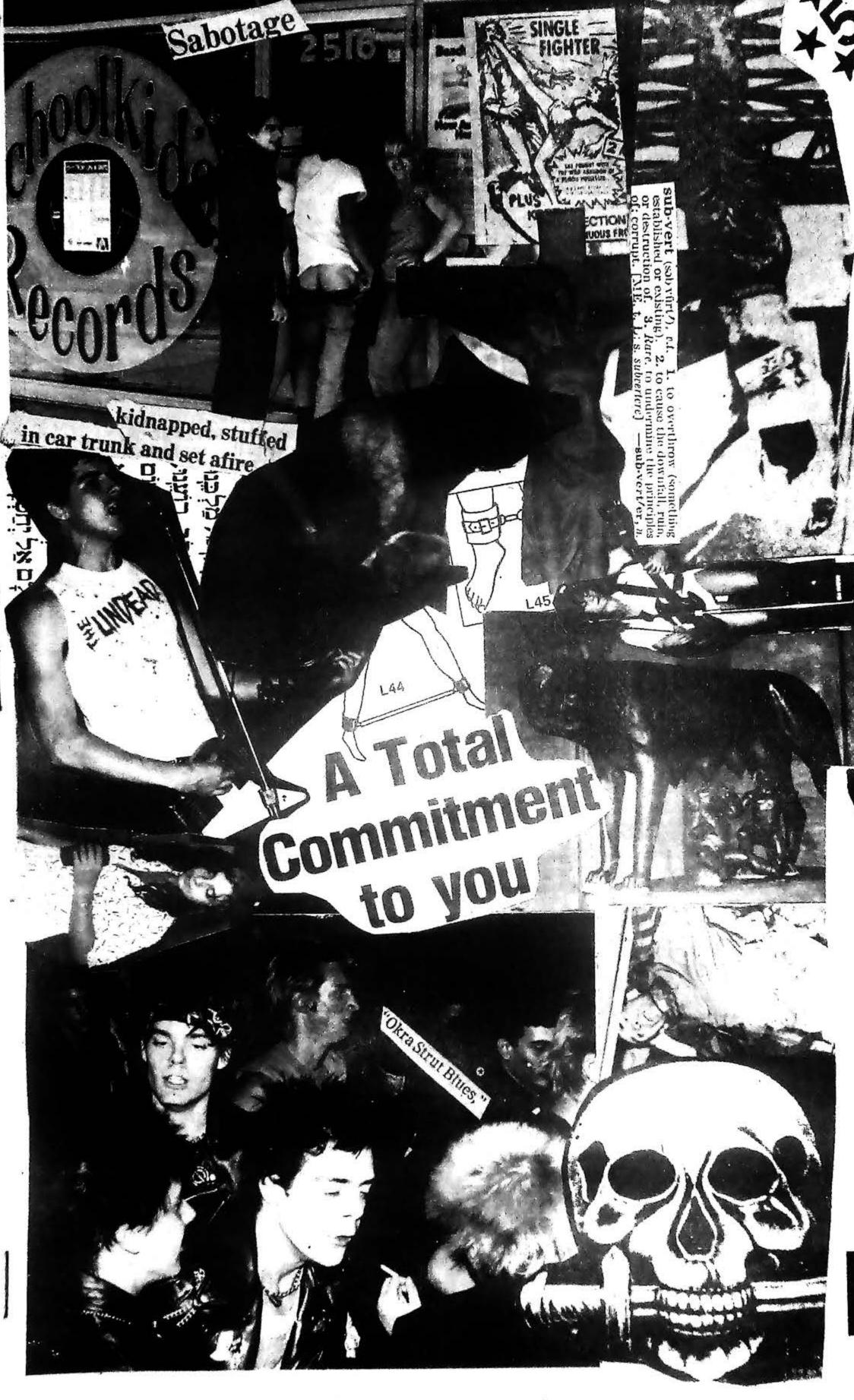
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South Florida's vinyl output has been piss poor lately. A lot of people are working on things, but nobody is getting much accomplished. However, a lot of good records have been released in the past, so here is a rundown of those worth mentioning.

THE REACTIONS: Official Release; The Reactions
Love You The Reactions write loud, fast, catchy
love songs with simple honest lyrics that make you
cry. The band broke up for some stupid reason but
you can still get their records.

(And the clap lives on....ED)

THE EAT: Communist Radio; God Punishes the Eat Eat music is a very unique combination of witty, though sometimes nonsensical lyrics and tastefully sleezy instrumentation. The tunes are very infectious and the packaging is great. The single (Communist Radio) is gone, the EP is going fast, but the band should have an LP out soon.

CHARLIE PICKETT: Feeling: If This is Love Charlie is known for stylizing obscure cover tunes. A great version of "White Light, White Heat" appears on the flip of Feeling. If This is Love is a humorous R&B song written by Charlie's cousin.

SHEER SMEGMA (alias TEDDY AND THE FRAT GIRLS):

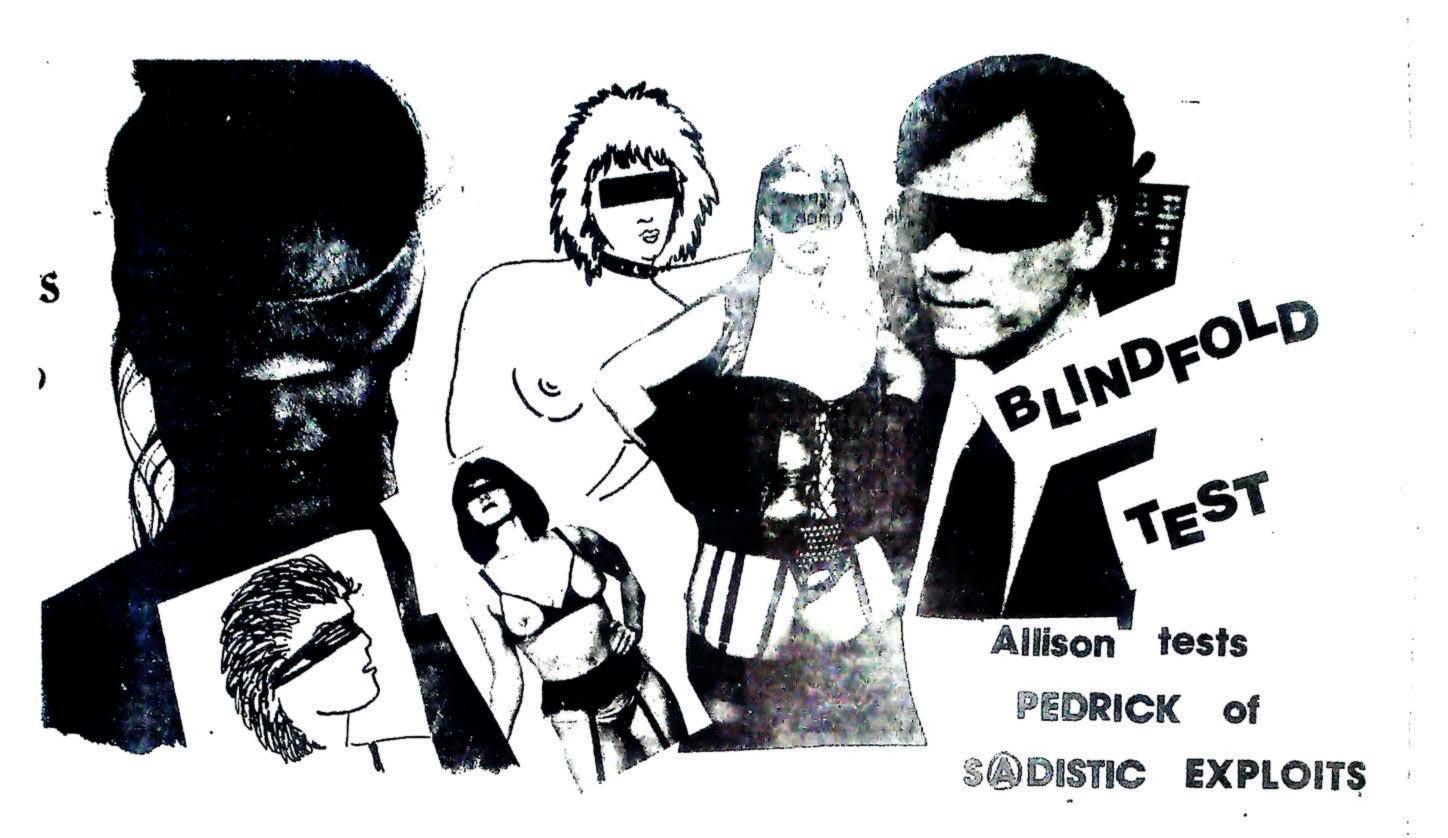
Audio Suicide At the time this record was produced the band consisted of three wild, eccentric girls who knew absolutely nothing about making music. Yet this record was reviewed by Jello Biafra in Trouser Press and many consider it South Forida's best. "I Wanna be a Man" is a perfect assination of the typical male persona.

Most of these records are available by writing to Open Records, 901 Progresso Drive #4, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33304

The EAT records at: Giggling Hitler Records 2600 Trapp Ave., Coconut Grove FL 33133

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Who ever gave journalists the idea that they could review records? Wouldn't musicians be better at it? We thought so.

I cornered Pedrick one day and played a handful of singles for him. I picked mostly independent releases, so that you might gain some insight into something you might otherwise never hear or read about. To make it interesting I didn't tell him what he was reviewing until he had formed an opinion on it. Thus, the Blindfold Test. Any comments of mine are in parentheses.

CHARLIE PICKETT: If This is Love/Slow Death Open Records, 901 Progresso Drive; Ft. Lauderdale FL 33304 (Charlie Pickett does obscure coversthis is his second single.)

It sounds like a pop
Lynyrd Skynyrd, if you can believe that. It gets really
tired after the first ten seconds. It sounds like a Jersey
bar band. (Something tells me
that wasn't a compliment.)

CHEAF'N'NASTY: Covergirl

EP Smashstick Plastics 001
(Made in the Netherlands. I
played "kant 2" for Ped--"I'm
a Photomodel" and "No Hore Violence". Comes with a lyric
sheet, which helps, due to the
strange accents and vocals in
three languages.)
They have this really

great up-tempo song (Photomodel) that sounds really great, but it's blended in with this really eerie music that sounds like a guy preaching at you. They should let the guitar player play more--bring the whole band up. They could be really good with some work.

BLITZ: All Out Attack EP
No Fiture Records, 3 Ade.
laide House, Wells Rd; Halvern, Worchester England
(No Future is "a new label
dedicated to hard core punk
and skinhead bands only", according to the label. Litz
sings lyrics like "We fight to
live/and we live to fight, We
don't give a shit/what's wrong
or what's right")

I like it, I like it.
Definately worth the space in
my record collection. It's
raw hard core served up just
the way we love it.

MISSING PERSONS: I Like Poys EP Tomos Records PO Box 2788 Holly wood CA 90028 (This band consists of an ex-Playboy buuny and two of Frank Zappa's old sidekicks.)

This is a good, dancable ecord that is perfect to unwind to at the end of a good night out. A real professional job-the vocals are really neat, the

girl's voice is very good. The production makes her sound like two or three people at once-I can almost hear Debbie Harry or the Go-go's in there.

JOM TOM CLUB: The Genius of Love/Lorelei Instrumental Island Records (Members of the Talking Heads, etc.)
Horrible disco.

Laughter/Mesh and Lace 4-A-D Records, England

NEW ORDER: Everything's Gone Green/Procession B Music Records, England (Fed lumped his opinion of these two toghter)

These tow are just another os those typical bands that aren't a punk band because they all grew up and got good. It's music to sell, not music to do shit.



The purpose of War is simply to keep population under control. Without War the world would over populate and eventually self-destruct. The American government will only prey on the nation's young men-the ones with out any families for the government to support when they get heir (patriotic?) heads blown off

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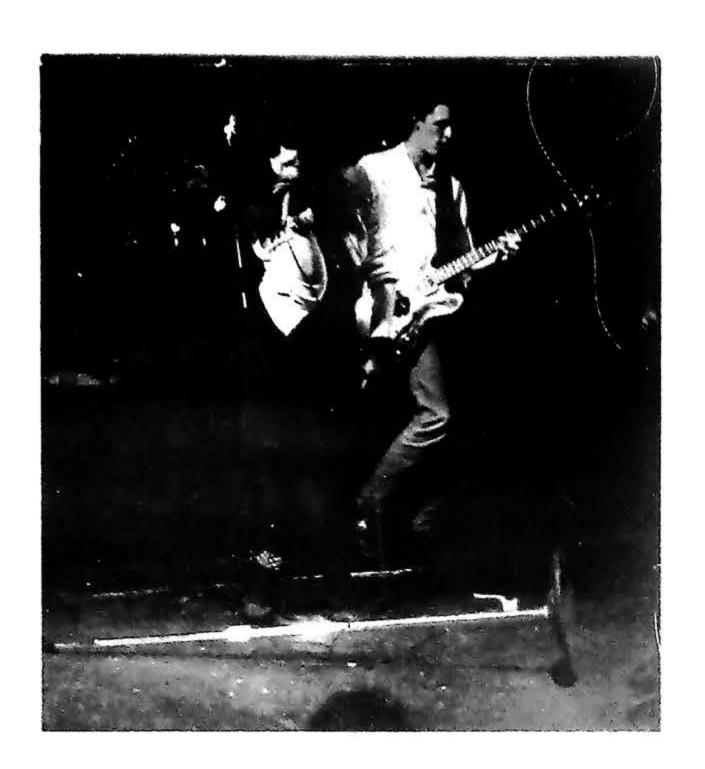
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I'm not going to start this out by naming the dozen or so bands Lydia Lunch has been in during the twenty-two years she's been around, or by telling you about the part she played in No New York. The past is gone, we can't bring it back-so why make an ass out of my-self trying to reconstruct it for you. Let's just suffice it to say that Lydia Lunch is a very exceptional lady doing a little bit of everything and doing damn good at all of it.

They are three ex-Weirdos from LA, interestingly enough none of them were in the Weirdos at the some time. Sticks Denny plays guitar, Greg Williams Lo on bass, and Cliff Martinez pounds drums. The band has been together about three months and expect to have an album, as yet untitled, out within a month (which



EXCRE

by Chastity

To make the story short, there was a band from LA and they came to Philly to play. When I say from LA I don't mean skinhead smash/thrash/headbash. I mean X.

ain't you gonna take me for a ride/drink and drive down to the LA river bed i'll make no mistakes and i'll behave

We talked to Exene about what it's like to be a popular American punk band hovering somewhere between cult status and radio airplay. Have the shouts of "sell out" echoed in their hallways?

"They did for a while and then it went away. The thing is, we just do what we do, and then some people like it. When alot of people like it and that's what you really want to do, it's quite an achievement. There's no achievement in having the best selling record in the world when you purposly



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translates into look for it around Christmas, kiddos.) They have been traveling around in the cramped quarters of a rented car.

"We're a loving band," Sticks deadpanned the day after their gig here in Philly.

Lydia herself is involved in numerous other projects right now, one of the most interesting of which is a book, Adulterous Anonymous, which she is writing for Grove Press with Exene of X. She explained to us how she got the book deal:

"I wrote this manuscript—this really violent pornographic trash, and turned it in on a fluke to Grove. So they wanted me to write a book. I refused to write another book like that—I said I'll write a prose book, I'll write a scrapbook—I'll do whatever I want, and they said fine. I said well, I don't want to do it by myself."

And so she enlisted her friend Exene. The two live about four blocks away from each other in LA, and besides the book, they are planning a recording project which should materialize before Spring. How will the two vocalists merge?

""e'll sing and do a variety of things."

Lydia described the music as "slow and personal" and mentioned other possible conspirators as Pat Place (Bush Tetras), China Berg (Mars), and Liz Swump of Beirut Slum, an old band of Lydia's.

Yet, with all this activity, she explains, "Music is just convienient, so I do it."

She'd rather be acting. Lydia's latest triumph is a movie with Beth and Scott B. of New York. The film, titled "Vortex", will be debuting at the London Film Festival on November 18th. Even more recently she has been offered a part in the next Arthur Hertzog film.

"I really don't know what the part is about. I just know that the producer met me and wnats me for the next film. I'll just have a small role. If I get it I'm going to try and talk them UF," she grins.

Lydia is definately a woman to be on the watch for, whether she pops up on your bookshelves, flickers on your tovie screen or threads her way through you stereo. I'd never underestimate her talents, nor would I be surprised if all this is old news by the time it reaches you. She'll probably have moved on to three or four more projects by then. She knows what she wants, and if she can't get it, nobody can.



EXENE

wrote this thing because you knew people would fall for it. Inat's why we're not interested in changing what we do-that's why people still like us that have liked us all this time."

Exene sings. Now she wants to be a writer--an Adulterous Anonymous.

"I like being a singer a lot...being in front of people, being with an audience. But being a writer...this real great

thing is you can walk down the street and nobody notices you. They just read it."

She calls the book she's writing with Lydia Lunch "A scrapebook. It has some real violent passages and stuff, so I wouldn't call it poetry because it's not real formulated. It's my favorite thing that's going on right now."

ed. She says living in LA is pretty much the same as living anywhere. In her opinion the skinhead reputation is exaggerated.

"There's a few people that are kind of crazy... I think sometimes you see someone doing something and you say 'I want to be part of that' and then you try to outdo it. Pretty soon everybody's outdoing each other and things just get wild. I don't think it's a real serious problem."

X records on Slash records. Exene talked about them as being a really gook label up against imcredible odds. The band has complete control over what they do, and frequently Slash comes up with great ideas, such as the cover of the first LP. Being a small label is "harder than you'd imagine," she says, "it seems as though the industry keeps kicking us in the knees."

The band appeared in the documentry of the Los Angles scene, "The Decline of Western Civilization". Penelope Spheeris produced and directed the film that features X along with Black Flag, the Circle Jerks, and Fear, to name a few.

Whenelope has been around on the scene since the beginning, and she's real good at what she does. We felt that it'd be real worth while to document what was going on with someone like her. She talked these people into doing this thing for like ten thousand and it turned out to cost like a hundred thousand. I like it because it's real objective—it's not her point of view. She asked alot of different bands to be in it, like the Go-gos, but alot of people were afraid to be in it. They thought 'oh the money—there's no money for the bands.' I personally didn't care because it was such a good thing to have done.

"It's like we did that Urgh movie and we got paid--I guess a couple of thousan dollars for the movie and the soundtrack--but I have no intention of ever buying that record or going to see the movie. I don't want to put it down, because I'm sure alot of people will go see it because it's got bands in it. I just don't like the idea of band, song, band, song. It's like the end of a song-'thank you very much' and then ONE TWO THREE FOUR!, the next song, just band after band."

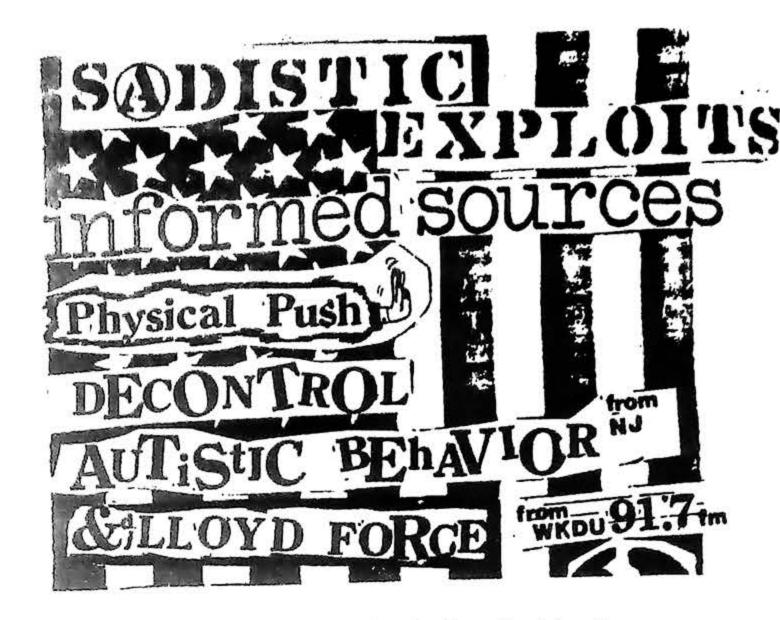
X is slowly but surely climbing up to the top of the pile. Recently they threw a kess to the music industry and played the prestigous Greek Threatre in LA. Tickets were a hefty seven to ten dollars, but the band offset the necessary spotlight gig with a cheapie for five dollars the following weekend.

This is one of the ways X shows the cleseness they keep with their audience. They are nt concerned with making it in England or competing with Englis' bands. They find homegrown music and audiences completiy satisfying.

Exene is not just another brainless tace in front of a band. She is an intelligent, articulate woman quite in charge of her life. Like her frien Lydia Lunch, she's a woman to keep an eye on.

Philadelphia PUNK Festival

Oct. 3/Elks Center 16th & Fitzwater



Originally we were going to write this big professional article about the Festival, jam-packed with pictures and bullshit. Unfortunately perhaps, for journalism's sake, but most fortunately for ours, we ended up getting too involved in having a good time to be professional about ANYTHING. So a scattered recollection it is, therefore.

The original lineup was cut from five to four bands when Physical Push pulled out due to external pressures. This did not dampen the festivities at all, and a sign was posted. at the door to inform the incoming crowd of the band's absence. Approximately 650 people piled in the door, paying a three dollar admission. That's right—four bands for three dollars—IT CAN BE DONE!!!

The hall was a huge, cavernous place with lots of elbow room for everyone. Lots of murky corners to hide in and more than enough room to dance. Downstairs a bar served drinks cheaply and with a total lack of ambience. Now this was punk rock.

Autistic Behavior was on first, and these boys were anything but boring to watch. Then again, you don't watch them, you THRASH to them. Center stage was slam territory and this time there were no fights aka Black Flag at the Starlite. Just a congenial slam, with lots of girls in on the action. As soon as you were down-boom, someone had you back on your feet again. I honestly can't believe how great it was.

Decontrol was up next--more loud fast music, anarchy and peace inspired. If you liked what you saw (or want to know what you missed), look for Alternative magazine, put out by the band. (164 Fox Road, Media PA 19063)

Informed Sources made their debut, kicking ass on the first night out. A little shakey but definately a band to watch, especially judging from the tapes I've heard on the radio.

Last came the group that made it all happen.

Sadistic Exploits stormed through their set with an endless amount of energy. The loss of their drummer only a week before the gig didn't slow them down a bit. Replacement JR pounded through the songs with amazing skill after just a few practices with the band. The Exploits are simply unstoppable. Can they possibly get any better?

All in all it was the best night anyone I've talked to has had in one hell of a long time. The atmosphere was relaxed, but the air was charged with energy. The turnout was fantastic and the bands were all in top form. We can only hope that more gigs like this are made possible, and that the interest continues to grow. There are more punks lurking in the Philadelphia woodwork than we realize.

Thanks to all the bands wh performed, all the people who came, and especially to the Exploits and their manager Nancy Petriello for making the whole thing happen. It was an unforgettable, exhibarating, <u>fucking excellent</u> night.



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